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In re Application of:

Veronique FERRARI et al.

Application No.: 09/685,577

Filed: October 11, 2000

For: COMPOSITIONS
STRUCTURED WITH AT
LEAST ONE POLYMER AND
METHODS OF USING THE
SAME (as amended)

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) Group Art Unit: 1615
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) Examiner: Jyothsna A. VENKAT
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Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(d), Applicants bring to the attention of the Office the documents listed on the attached IDS Form PTO/SB/08. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("SIDS") is being filed after the Notice of Allowance dated May 16, 2005, but before payment of the issue fee. In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), this SIDS is accompanied by a fee of \$180.00 as specified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) and a certification as specified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2).

Based on a reasonable inquiry, and by operation of 35 U.S.C. § 21(b), no document listed in this SIDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and no document listed in this SIDS was known to

any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c), more than three (3) months prior to the filing date of this SIDS.

Copies of the newly listed documents, excluding any U.S. Patents, are attached. Applicants respectfully requests that the Office consider the listed documents and indicate this consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached Form.

The United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held in *Dayco Products, Inc. v. Total Containment, Inc.*, 329 F.3d 1358 (Fed. Cir. 2003), that an "adverse decision" by another examiner may meet the materiality standard under amended 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and, thus, applicants should disclose prior rejections of "substantially similar claim[s]" to the Office. Accordingly, although Applicants do not represent that the Office Actions in the co-pending applications are material to the present application and do not admit that any of the other claims are substantially similar, out of an abundance of caution Applicants have listed the substantive Office Actions issued in co-pending applications on the attached PTO/SB/08. At the Examiner's request, Applicants have not included copies those Office Actions issued in the co-pending applications by the present Examiner of this application.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Office applies any of the listed documents as prior art against any claims in this application and Applicants determines that the cited document(s) do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such document(s). Applicant further reserves the right to take

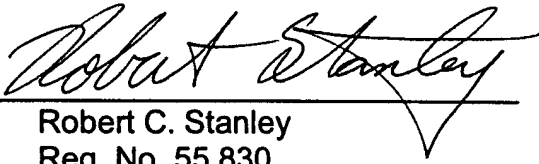
appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

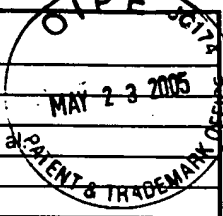
If there is any additional fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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